Visa Instructions

Normal visa procedure

If you travel on a passport **other than that** of Afghanistan, China, Iran, Iraq, Pakistan or Sudan, and you are **not** of Pakistani origin, your visa application will require the following documents.

- You will require the necessary form(s) that may be obtained from the nearest Indian consulate (or the one whose jurisdiction includes your address). Fill out the form(s) and enclose things such as photographs, application fee, etc., as *per* the instructions accompanying the form(s).
- The scanned Invitation Letter sent to you. In order to get this letter, go to http://econdse.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/10/Invitation.docx
 Download this Invitation Letter template, which will appear as Invitation.docx
 Fill out your title, name and address where indicated in red. Save the file as

<YourFullName>.docx

For example, if your name is John Doe, save the file as John_Doe.docx Email this file as an attachment to

visa_invite@econdse.org

It is unlikely that anything else will be required. However, if the consulate requires, you may need to enclose hard-copies of the following supplementary documents:

- The AMES 2012 Summary Information.
- The Clearance from Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA).
- The Clearance from Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD). This is the nodal ministry in charge of education.

These supporting documents may be downloaded from

http://econdse.org/ames-2012-downloads/

This should be sufficient to obtain a visa. Please do this procedure as soon as possible, so that, in the event of a problem, we have sufficient time to iron it out.

Special visa procedure

If you travel on a passport of Afghanistan, China, Iran, Iraq, Pakistan or Sudan, or if you are of Pakistani origin, your visa application will require the following extra step(s).

• In addition to following the above-described Normal Visa Procedure, please email to

sudhir@econdse.org

the scanned images of the pages from your passport that contain the passport information we collected during the Registration process: namely,

- Name
- Father's/husband's name
- Date of birth
- Place of birth
- Nationality and Passport Number
- Date of issue
- Place of issue
- Date of expiry
- Your address

If any of this information is not stated in your passport, please let us know.

This information and scans will be forwarded to the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, for their scrutiny.

• The Indian consulate may ask you for additional documents. If you have them, please give them to the consulate. If not, then please contact

sudhir@econdse.org

for help in this regard.

• Participants from Pakistan should apply for their visa online to the High Commission of India in Islamabad. After applying, the Unique ID (File Number) of the visa application should be sent to

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for forwarding to the relevant authority in India.